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Latest News

EPA Embraces Automaker Claims In Bid To Weaken Vehicle GHG Standards

EPA's determination that its vehicle greenhouse gas standards are too stringent and needs to be eased broadly embraces a suite of auto industry arguments on cost, consumer tastes and technology challenges, setting the stage for a formal process to fill in the details of proposed changes to model year 2022-2025 limits that promises to be highly contentious.

Pruitt's Bid To End 'Secret Science' Faces Legal, Implementation Hurdles

EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt's pending plan to apply a sweeping new data transparency requirement at EPA is expected to face legal and implementation controversies likely as soon as it is released, agency watchers say, including potential violations of medical privacy protections, trade secret information and other data that form the basis for air quality standards, pesticide and chemical approvals and climate rules.

California Officials Reject Calls To Tighten 2035 Transportation GHG Targets

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) has adopted controversial 2035 transportation-related greenhouse gas targets for major metropolitan areas in the state, rejecting calls by environmentalists and civil rights groups to make the goals more stringent.

Climate Beat

Regulation: EPA announces plan to ease vehicle GHG standards

But California's waiver -- which allows the state to retain its standards -- is still being "reexamined," EPA says.

Biofuels: Group blames EPA waivers for falling ethanol demand

A new biofuels industry analysis of the effects of EPA's RFS waivers suggests the agency might not have to take short-term measures to curb compliance costs.

Loose Change: On condo scandal, Christie not sure if Pruitt can 'survive'

In today's news roundup: Former New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie (R) says he is not sure how Scott Pruitt can "survive" as EPA chief after he secured a \$50-per-night lease on a Capitol Hill condo connected to an energy lobbyist.

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